

MORE RAILROAD RUMORS RIFE

Thought Probable that Within Few Years Two Car Lines Will Extend Eastward.

Railroad rumbings and rumors are sometimes heard a long way off, and sometimes they get louder as they are heard until at last there are railroads before our very doors.

Just now there are more rumbings and rumors, some of which may develop into a state of affairs that will help us just a little bit more if they develop at all, for railroads always help.

The Hawthorne avenue line is about to be extended eastward beyond the reservoir to a point near Evening Star grange hall.

In this connection it is asserted by a few knowing ones that when the Mount Tabor line is completed to Russellville and the Mount Hood road is electrified that the track along Eightieth streets will be taken up.

This plan will also be of advantage to those who drive to the Villa and take the cars from there, as then they can get a car at Russellville and save nearly two miles in distance by rail and a mile of driving both going and coming.

Which ever way the plan is worked out it is going to be a great benefit to Eastern Multnomah people who have to go to town, and it is going to be a great inducement to hundreds to come out this way to buy property, build homes and will settle down among us.

U. S. Cleaner does it. Makes the porcelain and metal ware look like new. Sterling & Kidder.

In Memoriam. Mrs. Elizabeth Biery, whose death occurred on Sunday evening, Nov. 17, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. B. Conrad, was born in Wayne county, Ohio, May 8, 1827.

FOR SALE—Cheap, 3 thoroughbred Jersey bull calves, 5 and 6 months old. Can be registered. Charles Horning, Bull Run. tf

Wanted to Trade. A 3 1/4 wagon, narrow track for a wide track wagon, also 1 span 2900 pound horses for a 1200 pound team. J. C. Belleu, Troutdale, Oregon. tf

FOR SALE cheap, a brown mare, 4 years old, gentle, broke to drive single or double. A. Brugger, Melrose Farm, Gresham. Phone 244 *81

FRESH COWS for sale. C. M. Smith. Phone 258. tf

FOR SALE—2 cows, one 2-year old heifer, 1 calf 5 months old, 4 shoats, 2 with pigs, 1 two months old pig. W. A. Bovingdon, Verdenta Park, one-half mile north and one-half mile west of Rockwood. *8

FINE CORRESPONDENCE

Fifteen rural centers were represented in the correspondent's columns of the Outlook last Friday. The news items from those places were really interesting to anyone and doubly so to those most concerned in the affairs at their own homes, as they reflect each action recorded and give to the outside world an idea of what is being done in the little centers away from the bigger ones.

And this reminds us again that our correspondents can help us make the best holiday paper that was ever published in this county. A good column-long story about yourselves will awaken an interest in all the others and set them to thinking. We want the story from everyone who has every written for the Outlook, and we want it to tell all about the doings and happenings, past and present and in the near future of all the people you know; and we want you to boost your own little community the best you know how.

Surprise Party at Verdenta

Mr. and Mrs. Kenna Harvey were very pleasantly surprised Saturday evening by a number of their Rockwood friends, in their new home at Verdenta. Dancing and games were enjoyed until midnight when refreshments were served, after which the guests departed to their homes.

Card of Thanks. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Conrad wish to thank the neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy during the sickness and death of Mrs. Conrad's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Biery.

Masquerade at Rockwood. Rockwood grange will give its annual Thanksgiving masquerade next Wednesday night, Nov. 27. Four cash prizes will be given. Simonson's orchestra. Tickets, one dollar, spectators 25 cents, lady maskers free. Positively no ragging allowed. All are welcome. 78

Good apples, good cider, a good fire in the evening and the weekly Oregonian makes life on the farm a pleasure. It and the Outlook one full year for \$1.75.

BARGAIN DAY EVERY WEEK

Gresham Dealers Form Retail Merchants Association to Boost Local Trade.

Gresham has decided to become a great big department store with bargain counter sales in every line at least one day in the week. All kinds of general merchandising may be had here from the twenty stores doing business, and it is the proprietors of these stores who have perfected an organization to do their advertising collectively for one whole year beginning Dec. 1, and will make each Thursday a bargain counter sales day.

For the purpose of doing their business in a more modern and up-to-date way the merchants of Gresham met last evening in the Commercial club hall and made a start in the way of permanency by choosing James Sterling chairman of the meeting, with E. L. Thorpe as temporary secretary, representing the Outlook. The following agreement was signed by all present.

We, the undersigned business men of Gresham, believing at this time the business of the town needs stimulating, have organized a Retail Merchants association to further the business interests and to get together and being about a better understanding and a closer business relation with one another; to work out and perfect advertising programs to put into effect a good and adequate system of credits and collections; and to do any and all such business as will tend to help the commercial and financial interests of the town and the different classes of business represented.

And we agree to lend it our hearty support and co-operation and to attend meetings on dates set for that purpose and to do all that we can in an impartial manner to improve the business interests of the town of Gresham.

The proposition for advertising the different lines of business, which will include everything in Gresham, is unique and simple, yet comprehensive. It is intended to follow the idea of the big department stores in specialty advertising, with cut-rate prices on each commodity mentioned for the one day each week. Every business house will agree upon a certain price for any articles to be specialized and all will sell for the same prices.

Before the close of the meeting a committee was appointed consisting of Lewis Shattuck, W. R. Burke and Bert Metzger to complete arrangements and report at another meeting which will be held at the same place on Friday evening next.

Born, Sunday night, Nov. 26, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Roberts, a son. Mrs. Roberts is at the home of her mother, Mrs. D. C. Ross at Gresham. The little fellow has been named William Ross Roberts.

Look up those bargain subscription offers right away.

EQUINE GIANTS RAISED HERE

Christ Minsinger's Ranch Near Marmot Is Home of Fine Belgians.

Out on the Sandy river, three miles from Marmot, is the 750-acre stock ranch belonging to Chris. Minsinger, a Portland capitalist. For nearly seven years Mr. Minsinger has been developing a herd of Belgium draft horses, the best in the United States. Mr. Minsinger began the business of raising heavy draft horses, principally because he has use for them in his own business. He first started with one horse, Star of the North, which he bought for \$2500 in 1906. This horse had won first prize in every event from Chicago to Portland, including the Levi and Clark fair. Several mares were also purchased at prices from \$1500 to \$2,000.

Mr. Minsinger now has 150 head of Belgians, all high-class draught horses. He has been drawing on his reserve stock for the past three years and those on the ranch are mostly young animals, ranging from six months to two years old.

The Belgium is today recognized as the coming draught horse of the world, according to many experts, the demand for this specie of equine giant far exceeding that for any other. Mr. Minsinger recognized the superiority of the Belgium half a dozen years ago and the result of his activity is a breeding farm any state would be proud of.

The Minsinger Belgium farm is a source of dual pleasure to its owner. The breeding of the draught horse is a sport and a business. He derives just as much enjoyment from it as does the horseman who specializes on the race track thoroughbred or standard bred, and at the same time is not troubled with the financial uncertainties which beset the path of the race-track devotee.

"I raise these Belgians for my own use," says Mr. Minsinger. "In my business I have an opportunity to test the merits of draught horses as well if not better than any other business man and the choosing of the Belgium above all others speaks for itself. I consider the Belgium not only the equal, but the superior of all draft horse breeds.

"Just take a look at those two-year-olds. Notice their breadth and weight. Can you beat that anywhere?" are sentences hurled in prideful accents at one taking a peep at the Minsinger picture gallery, or better yet, the inhabitants of the Sandy River ranch.

"I have got the best bunch of draught colts in the country," is the boast of the enthusiastic owner.

The Gresham Drug Co., the Carlson furniture store and Wostell's grocery have adopted the Tad system of profit sharing with their customers. Bert Lindsey still retains the system, thus making four firms in Gresham who are using it.

Missionary society program tonight.

SEEMS ONLY FAIR

When the new county officers take charge they should have their attention called to the fact that Eastern Multnomah is taxed without representation. Except for an occasional special deputy sheriff or some other petty officer the whole of Multnomah from Mount Tabor eastward has no one at the public crib in any capacity; and only twice in the past 20 years has it had a public officer, both of whom were members of the legislature. Portland has every office, gets everything in sight and ignores the country as completely as if this part of the county didn't help to elect every officer chosen.

Fair play would suggest to Sheriff Word, Assessor Reed, County Clerk Coffey and all the other officers elect that they choose a deputy or two from somewhere east of Mount Tabor.

Taxation without representation breeds discontent and is prolific of a desire for a division of counties and legislative districts, so that the political plums may not all fall into one back yard.

Death of M. Z. Burton

Melvin Z. Burton died at his home, 909 Commercial street, Portland, on Sunday last. He was aged 51 years, 11 months and 8 days, husband of Mary J. Burton, father of Mrs. George New, Mrs. Wessley Benedict, Mrs. J. Logie Richardson, George and Harry Burton, and brother of William Burton, of Everett, Wash. The funeral services were held at the parlors of the East Side Funeral directors, 414 East Alder street, under the auspices of Fairview lodge, A. F. & A. M., at 1 p. m. today, interment being in the Masonic cemetery on the Sandy road.

Mr. Burton was well known in this vicinity a few years ago, having lived with his family on the Sieret place near Pleasant Home. From there the family moved to Woodlawn and later to Albina.

What a Mistake Did.

Advertising pays. That is what Ed. Aylsworth found out after the last issue of the Outlook. His new ad. on Friday last announced shoes at \$3.15 without reference to any kind, when it should have stated that only the \$3.50 shoes were intended. And then came the deluge. Ever since then he has been besieged by people demanding his best shoes for \$3.15, and had to explain that his ad. was not a complete announcement. His announcement to day is more to the point and it tells about real bargains in footwear. The sale lasts only for the remainder of this week.

Your choice. All scratch tablets, 2 for 5 cents. Trump pencils, 3 for 5 cents. THE NOVELTY SHOP.

The Outlook gives green trading stamps for every yearly subscription paid in advance. Ask for them.

CANDIDATES TO CHOOSE FROM

Two Tickets in Local Field Indicate Active Interest in Town Affairs.

The approaching city election will probably not show the full voting strength of Gresham, which is now an unknown quantity. Since the women are now enfranchised are probably more than 450 voters inside the city boundaries and it is going to give our election officials a hard jolt to deal with them in the six hours allowed to voting if they all turn out. At the next city election it will be necessary to divide the town into at least two wards, and the same necessity will confront the county election officials at the next general election. Gresham precinct has already passed the limit of convenience and so have many of the others, so that with the greatly increased vote to be handed it will be necessary to almost double the number. At the next election there will be nearly 400 polling places in Multnomah county, and until we are shown where we are "at" we won't know whether we are on foot or horseback in voting matters.

New precincts will have to be created and new voting places provided and the last condition will present a problem, for it is now a hard matter to find rooms in many places suitable for election purposes. It has been suggested that the schoolhouses be used, and probably they will be in many cases. There is no valid reason why they should not.

The City Ticket.

Following is the complete list of nominations and acceptances of the candidates to be voted upon for city offices on Tuesday, December 3:

Mayor—Lewis Shattuck, E. C. Lindsey. Recorder—D. M. Roberts. Treasurer—J. H. Metzger, Mrs. Minnie Clannahan. Marshal—H. Gullickson, James McKinney.

Councilmen, three to be elected—E. G. Kardell, M. D. Kern, D. W. Metzger, W. R. Biddle, George W. Metzger, L. L. Kidder.

Although these candidates were nominated at two separate mass meetings neither of them have any party name or appellation.

In connection with the approaching election there is much speculation as to the size of the vote. A study of the situation by disinterested observers places the total city vote at about 400, now that the women are to be voters, but there is no likelihood that a full vote will be polled. The estimate is about 325.

Grading for Multnomah Central

Active preparations are being made to begin grading on the new railroad from Cottrell to Sandy. The right of way, 100 feet wide has been cleared all the way, a distance of about five miles and the contract for grading has been let to Twoby Bros., of Portland, who will begin their work at once, and expect to have their part done by Feb. 1.

There are seven sawmills in operation in the Sandy district with an immense business doing in lumber and railroad ties, which have heretofore been shipped by way of Boring. Great quantities of cordwood can also be shipped, the three items of timber manufactured being of enough importance to keep a railroad busy for several years without further extension. Sandy is likely to be the terminus of the road for quite awhile, but it will eventually be extended further eastward as the demand for it requires.

Court Gresham, No. 81, Foresters of America, will give its first annual dance at the Commercial club hall, Nov. 28, Thanksgiving night. All are cordially invited to attend. Tickets \$1; ladies free. 78

Japanese Killed in Sawmill. K. Harita, a Japanese, aged 22, was killed on Saturday, when struck by a timber which had been caught in a saw in the mill Takao Bros., 7 miles beyond Sandy, where Harita was employed. The blow was sufficient to crush several ribs. Coroner Wilson and Gilbert L. Hedges went to the scene and held an inquest. The victim was buried by the company with whom he was employed.

WANT ADS.—The Outlook's Bargain Counter—WANT ADS

Advertisement for 'The Outlook's Bargain Counter' containing various 'WANT ADS' for livestock, real estate, and other goods. Includes sections for 'LIVESTOCK', 'REAL ESTATE AND RENTALS', 'Real Estate and Rentals', 'Miscellaneous', and 'Help Wanted'.